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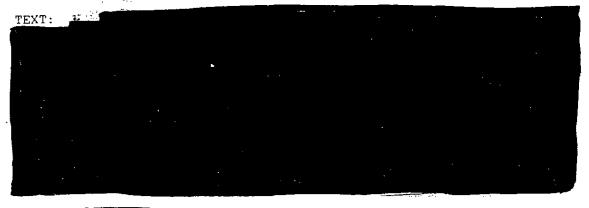
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SUMMARY.

THE MIR FACTION HEADED BY HERNAN AGUILO HAS BECOME A CRISIS FOR THE MIR, AS IT IS TOTALLY COMMITTED TO THE MILITARY STRUGGLE AGAINST THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING THE TARGETING OF ARMED FORCES MEMBERS FOR ASSASSINATION.

THE TWO ASSASSINATIONS OF CARABINERO PATROLMEN IN EARLY APRIL WERE CARRIED OUT BY THE LAUTARO YOUTH MOVEMENT AND THE "5 APRIL MOVEMENT."



THE FACTION HEADED BY AGUILO PRESENTED A
MAJOR CRISIS FOR THE MIR, AS AGUILO REFUSES TO COMMUNICATE WITH ANY
OF THE OTHER FACTIONS AND IS TOTALLY COMMITTED TO THE MILITARY
STRUGGLE. CABIESES' FACTION HAS BEEN INFORMED BY MIR
SOURCES INSIDE CHILE THAT AGUILO HAS BETWEEN 130 AND 150 ACTIVE
MILITANTS IN THE SANTIAGO AREA AND ALL ARE EITHER "MILITARY,"
"INTELLIGENCE," OR "LOGISTICS" PERSONNEL. AS HE IS EXCLUSIVELY DEDICATED
TO THE ARMED STRUGGLE. COMMENT: DID NOT MENTION HOW
MANY MILITANTS AGUILO'S FACTION HAS IN OTHER AREAS OF CHILE BUT THE
GROUP IS KNOWN TO HAVE CARRIED OUT OPERATIONS IN SOUTHERN CHILE.)

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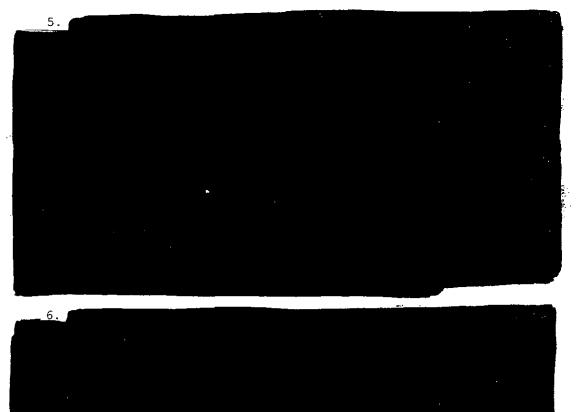
THE CABIESES FACTION WAS VERY WORRIED ABOUT AGUILO'S PHILOSOPHY AND THAT HE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT AGUILO'S FACTION WAS TARGETING HIGH LEVEL MEMBERS OF THE CHILEAN ARMED FORCES FOR ASSASSINATION.

SUCH OPERATIONS WOULD PROVOKE GOVERNMENT REPRESSION THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE CAPTURE AND EXECUTIONS OF MANY MIR MEMBERS, INCLUDING MANY NOT INVOLVED WITH AGUILO.

BECAUSE MANY MIR MEMBERS IN CHILE,

WERE DOING HIGHLY VISIBLE POLITICAL WORK IN CHILE AND WERE THEREFORE MORE VULNERABLE.

ONCE THE GOVERNMENT FOUND OUT THAT THE MIR WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUCH AN ASSASSINATION, THEY WOULD NOT DISTINGUISH BETWEEN WHICH FACTION MIGHT BE RESPONSIBLE BUT WOULD TAKE REPRISALS AGAINST ALL KNOWN MIR MEMBERS.



7. THE RECENT ASSASSINATIONS OF CARABINERO (UNIFORMED NATIONAL POLICE) PATROLMEN WERE JOINT OPERATIONS CARRIED

OUT BY THE LAUTARO YOUTH MOVEMENT, AN AFFILIATE OF THE MOVEMENT OF UNITED POPULAR ACTION (MAPU), AND BY THE "5 APRIL MOVEMENT."

THESE TWO GROUPS INTENDED TO ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE ONE

CARABINERO PER WEEK. COMMENT:

MOVEMENT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE 2 APRIL ASSASSINATION OF A CARABINERO PATROLMAN ALFREDO ((RIVERA)) ROJAS. POLICE FOUND PROPAGANDA BELONGING TO THE LAUTARO YOUTH MOVEMENT IN AN ABANDONED GETAWAY CAR USED IN THE 12 APRIL ASSASSINATION OF A CARABINERO PATROLMAN SAMUEL ((ESTEBAN)) LOPEZ AND WOUNDING OF HIS PARTNER.)

COMMENT: ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE 5 APRIL PEOPLES' SQUAD CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY ON 30 SEPTEMBER 1987 FOR ATTACKS ON

